

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: Mariner et al. Examiner: Fiorito, James
Serial Number: 10/759,582 Filed: 01/16/2004
Confirmation Number: 7994 Art Unit: 1763

For: **Wafer Handling Apparatus and Method of Manufacturing Thereof**

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Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

REQUEST FOR AN EXTENSION OF TIME

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that the period for filing the Response to the Official Action of August 31, 2006, be extended two (2) months to January 31, 2007, under the provision of 37 C.F.R. 1.136. This Petition makes the filing of the accompanying Amendment timely.

The Official Fee for the two (2) month extension is \$450.00. Please withdraw funds from our Deposit Account Number 07-0888.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required, or credit for overpayment, to Deposit Account Number **07-0888**.

A duplicate copy of this extension is provided.

Respectfully submitted,

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